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MEMORANDUM FOR: All Members of the Subcommittee on Transportation (EIC)

FROM : Executive Secretary, Subcommittee on Transportation (EIC)

SUBJECT: Request for Information For Use in TSC Annual Report

1. In order to prepare a preliminary draft of the Annual TSC report for the fiscal year 1956, it is necessary for the Secretariat to have additional information from the members. Specifically, your comments are requested on the following sections of the outline distributed at the last TSC meeting:

1. Research and Collection Deficiencies

- a. In regard to the priority research gaps which have been indentified by the subcommittee's review of its field, list actions taken or programs initiated to fill these gaps. Actions to fill major gaps include the following:
 - 1) initiation of projects by individual agencies to fill major gaps identified by the subcommittee,
 - 2) initiation of inter-agency projects, and
 - 3) programming of projects for external research.
- b. In regard to the priority requirements for collection of information which have been identified by the subcommittee, report any recommendations which have been made for improving the processing or collection of available information.

2. Review of Proposals for External Research

Give a brief summary of the subcommittee's review of proposals for external research, in accordance with the provisions of DCID 15/1.

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3. Evaluation of the Role of the Subcommittee

- a. Evaluate the extent to which the subcommittee has realized its potential as a medium for inter-agency review and coordination, as a mechanism for improving economic intelligence research within its field of interest, and any general views of the subcommittee regarding definition of its mission.
- b. In connection with 3a, list the factors which impede the efficient functioning of the subcommittee and any remedial suggestions which appear appropriate.

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Executive Secretary

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